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MEGUMI TAKAGI

AUGUST 27 (legislative day, AUGUST 1), 1951.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. MCCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 3731]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H. R. 3731) for the relief of Megumi Takagi, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to waive the racial barrier to admission into the United States in behalf of a half-Japanese and half-American child residing in Japan with Lt. and Mrs. Thomas V. Daily, citizens of the United States. The child would be considered to be a nonquota immigrant which is the status normally enjoyed by the alien minor children of citizens of the United States.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is a 2-year-old child born in Japan of a Japanese mother and an American father. The child has been released for adoption to Lt. and Mrs. Thomas V. Daily. Lieutenant Daily is on duty in Japan and is scheduled to be returned to the United States in September 1951.

Congressman Edward H. Rees, the author of the bill, appeared before a subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives and submitted the following information in connection with the case:

STATEMENT

My name is Takagi, Hatsuko. I was born at Nagoya-shi, Naka-ku, Hanada-Machi. A female child was born to me on May 21, 1949. The father of my child is W. G. Starr, at time of the birth an airman with the Fifth Air Force in Japan.

I am agreeable, without reservations, for Master Sgt. and Mrs. Thomas V. Daily to legally adopt my child, and that I waive all rights as a parent now or at any time hereafter.

The father of my child refuses all responsibility for the child.

(Signature) TAKAGI, HATSUKO,
Nagoya-Shi, Minami-Ku, Kannon-cho, No. 7–59.

Witnesses:
KOKI MIKAMI, *Notary.*
SHIGERU AOKI, *Lawyer.*

Personally appeared before me one Thomas V. Daily and stated the foregoing to be true to the best of his knowledge this 19th day of March 1951.

EDMUND S. MORRIS,
Captain, USAF, Adjutant, Hq. & Hq. Sq. 314th ADiv APO 710.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, SHUZENKAI BABY HOME,
Nagoya, Japan, March 1, 1951.

I, Koki Mikami, director of the Shuzenkai Baby Home, Nagoya, Japan, advance the following information to Master Sgt. and Mrs. Thomas V. Daily in order that it may be used in initiating action to adopt a female child now a charge of this institution.

Name of child: Megumi Takagi.
Birth date: May 21, 1949.
Place of birth: Sendai.
Date of entry into Shuzenkai Baby Home: November 22, 1949.
Mother of record: Hatsuko Takagi.
Father of record: W. G. Starr.

KOKI MIKAMI,
Director, Shuzenkai Baby Home.

MARCH 20, 1951.

To Whom It May Concern:

Senda Dailey, has been duly examined at the pediatric clinic Three Hundred and Ninety-fifth Station Hospital, APO 1054, Nagoya, Japan, and found to be in good health.

Chest X-ray and cardiolipin, flocculation were reported as negative.

CARL A. SCEMARTY,
Lieutenant (jg) MC USNR 504095.

In addition, Congressman Rees wrote to the chairman of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary under date of August 21, 1951, as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D. C., August 21, 1951.

Hon. PAT MCCARRAN,
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.

H. R. 3731, for the relief of Megumi Takagi.

DEAR SENATOR MCCARRAN: The above-named private bill was approved by the House today. I am rather anxious that the bill be considered in the Senate as soon as may be conveniently done.

The bill authorizes the bringing of a 2-year-old child to the United States by Lt. Thomas V. Daily and his wife, who are in Japan. Lieutenant and Mrs. Daily are scheduled to return to the United States in September. I know the sponsors of the child are among the highly respected people in our community.

The supporting evidence is with the House Committee on the Judiciary. If necessary, I am sure we can borrow it for appearance before your committee. In the meantime we are enclosing a copy of the original affidavits signed by the mother of the child and a statement from the adoption home.

Your assistance herein is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

E. H. REES.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H. R. 3731) should be enacted.

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